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AFP seeks return of all rebs



HONOR THY FATHER President Aquino prays at the tomb of his father, former Sen. Ninoy Aquino, at the Manila Memorial Cemetery on Saturday, the martyred hero's 78th birth anniversary. ANDREW TADALAN

Home alone, Vizconde lives with spirits of murdered family

By Cathy C. Yamsuan

THE MAN who should be enjoying his twilight years indulging grandchildren lives alone in the house where his wife and daughters were murdered in 1991.

Lauro Vizconde, now 72, says staying in the cream-and-white bungalow where his wife Estrellita and kids Carmela and Jennifer were stabbed to death is part of the decision to finally accept what happened.

"Nakasanay na sa kalooban ko (I've come to terms with it). Basta I pray for them before I go to sleep," he says in a slightly dismissive tone.

Vizconde walks with a stoop, has thinning hair, and wears a hearing aid. He

HOME/A6

Noynoy's bid for amnesty excludes officers' reinstatement

By Alcuin Papa

THE MILITARY is preparing to welcome back to its fold all former soldiers of whatever rank involved in various uprisings since 2003.

In a statement released yesterday, Lt. Col. Arnulfo Burgos, chief of the Armed Forces' Public Affairs Office, said the military was confident that Congress would approve President Aquino's grant of amnesty to the soldiers and officers who took part in three failed attempts to overthrow then President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo's administration.

Both the Senate and the House of Representatives are deliberating on Presidential Proclamation No. 75, which includes among its provisions the reinstatement of soldiers with ranks lower than master sergeant.

The President has chosen to return only

AFP SEEKS/A11

Book honors doc's beautiful life; she is 99

By Leila B. Salaverria

ACCLAIMED PEDIATRICIAN Fe del Mundo blazed trails in medicine, research and humanitarian work but skirted the traditional path of settling down and raising a family.

Nevertheless, she became a mother to countless children to whom she ministered with expert care and enduring love.

Del Mundo, who turned 99 yesterday, has built a legacy of excellence in pediatrics and tireless dedication to children, devoting not only her whole heart to the endeavor but her soul as well, as her niece Elias Bengzon put it.

"Why only love with your heart when

BOOK/A11



LIKE NO OTHER Dr. Fe del Mundo is mother to countless children through a career that spans six decades. JOAN BONDOC

Jaza gets Asia management award for nurturing leaders

By Tarra Quismundo

SINGAPORE—For his hands-on approach to developing people in his company, one of the Philippines' most influential business leaders has been recognized and honored as Asia's most nurturing businessman.

Jaime Augusto Zobel de Ayala, chair and CEO of the Ayala Corp., received the Asia Talent Management Award at the 9th CNBC Asia Business Leaders Awards (Abla) here Thursday night.

"This is a surprise," Ayala

JAZA/A9

Ship of pols? Noy, GMA invited to sail



By Philip C. Tubeza

WILL P-NOY be joining GMA in a balangay ride?

For the last leg of their epic voyage across Southeast Asia, the crew of the balangay expedition has invited President Aquino and former President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo to join them as they

SHIP/A7

Young Filipinos nation's saving grace in Asiad

By Francis T.J. Ochoa

GUANGZHOU—Ironically, some of the biggest victories of the Philippine delegation in the 16th Asian Games may be found in the bottom-scraping losses that piled up outside the country's medal tally.

Swimmer Jasmine Alkhaldi could not

YOUNG/A11



PEOPLE SKILLS Jaime Augusto Zobel de Ayala, chair and CEO of Ayala Corp., receives his trophy during the CNBC Asia Business Leaders Awards in Singapore on Thursday. PHOTO COURTESY OF CNBC

TELLING THE FILIPINO STORY TO THE WORLD

Editors' Note: For 25 days, we will be telling stories about the Inquirer to mark the paper's 25th anniversary on Dec. 9, 2010. Some are little inside stories but impacting on how we cover unfolding events; some are mark-the-day stories that became talk-of-the-town types; others are turning-point stories that have changed the landscape of history; still others, big or small, won the heart and never let go.

But whatever, the Inquirer will tell you the story.

Kris to marry Robin, and other bloopers galore

By Ruben G. Alabastro, Chief Day desk and Tony S. Bergonia with Minar Generalao and Kate Pedroso, Research

THERE were many shining moments in the 25 years that the Inquirer has been in your homes. But there were times, too, when we wished the ground had swallowed us. Still, being a hardy lot, we are able to look back at those embarrassments and laugh at ourselves.

Remember that April 28, 1992 morning when we sprang on you the news that Kris Aquino and Robin Padilla would finally march down the aisle after a three-year, off-and-on romance?

We had the wedding date pinned

KRIS/A4

• LOTTO JACKPOT NOW P738M A8 • West (Tower) side story: How the pipeline leak was found TALK • Obama gets 12 stitches in lip from elbowing in basketball • S.Korea Marines vow 'thousand fold' revenge WORLD • Does Shalani have more surprises? • Presidential romance over too soon • Pinay on Jazz Week World Music's Top 20 ENTERTAINMENT • At home in Pacman's LA residence • Wonderlist's gift suggestions • Pen's kitschy, flamboyant Salon de Ning SUNDAY LIFESTYLE • Bonifacio of history and myth SIM

Second FRONTPAGE



France tones down travel ban to PH

New advisory omits 'terrorist attack' term, but still warns vs 'violence'

FRANCE HAS issued a new travel advisory on the Philippines, toning down its warning about threats of a terrorist attack in the country but still cautioning travelers about possible violence, crime and kidnappings, particularly during the holiday season.

Conflict areas

Displeased Aquino





AN INQUIRER staff member who was in the area took this photo of the vehicle ridden by the French Embassy official after the accident on Saturday.

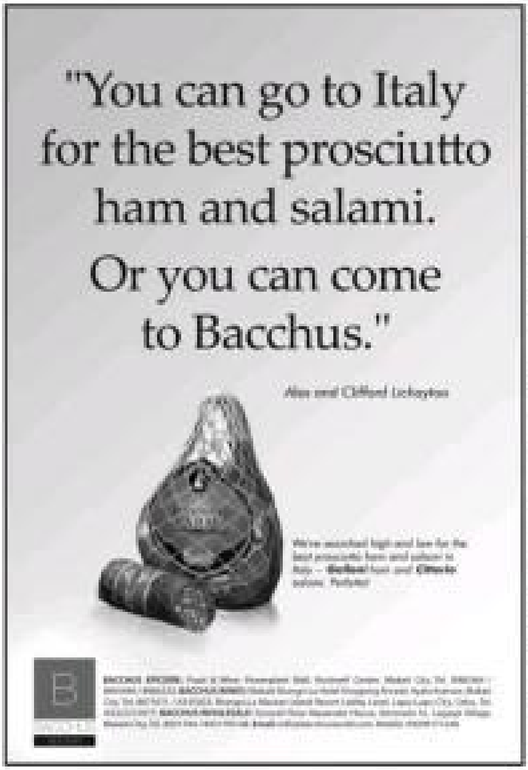
French Embassy exec unhurt in car accident

PCSO execs divided over putting cap on lotto prize

A P400,000 cap?

Evardone's P500,000 cap

Just go back to 6/42 game



Asian solons OK budget use to cut disaster risks

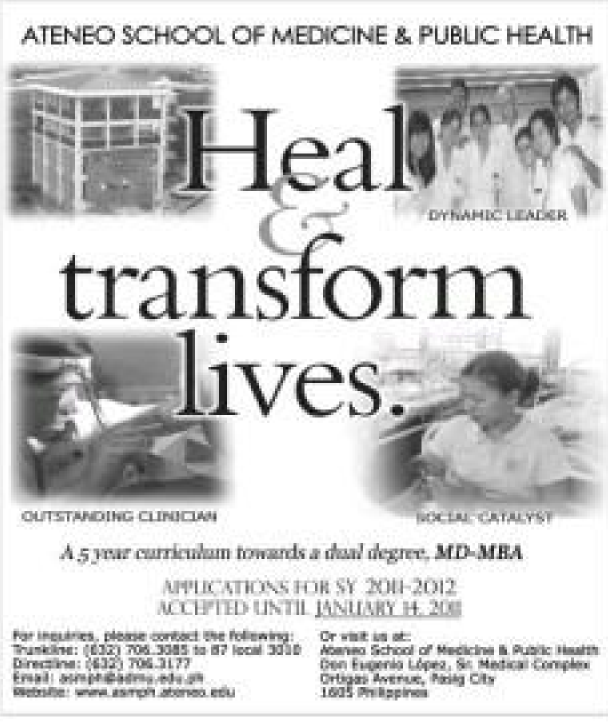
P-Noy marks dad's birthday with Mass

Many state schools not viable, says budget chief

Adds funding for SUCs actually up in 2011 but could not be increased further



Solon pushes 'blind-friendly' design for peso notes, coins



The Daily Gospel



SM appliance center
our name is your guarantee
WOW GIFTS Now na!
NOW THRU JANUARY 16, 2011
EXCLUSIVE GIFTS FOR YOUR WISH LIST
PREMIUM PICKS FROM POPULAR BRANDS
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CONVENIENT MUST-HAVES FOR THE HOME
Electrolux
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UP unveils marker on Maguindanao massacre



Continue clamor for justice, freedom of speech, UN official urges journalists

Noy-Liz relationship only professional, says Palace

Ship of pols? Noy, GMA invited to sail

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We're family

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Voyage of unity

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Not always smooth sailing

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On to next adventure

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Kris to marry Robin, and other bloopers galore

Rescue that never was

Cardinal rule of reporting

Correction to a correction

Equal opportunity

How did that happen?

Victimized by hoaxes

Malicious reporting

Killed prematurely

Saved from embarrassment

Home alone, Vizconde lives with spirits of murdered family

The way it was

Scene of the crime



LIFE GOES ON Lauro Vizconde sits inside the room of his late daughter Carmela in his house in Parañaque City.

Still dreaming of them

Strange occurrences

VACC chair

Jaza gets Asia management award

Stellar and visionary CEOs

Sense of family

Gives credit to people

Cross-posting

Other winners

Ayala Malls reap 7 awards in Beijing

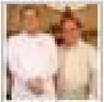
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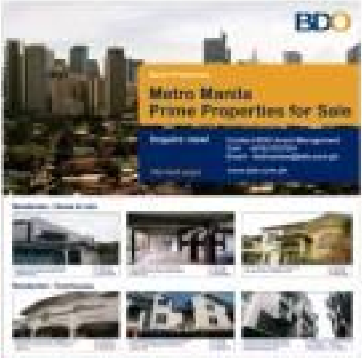
APO plans to block De Lima appointment to DOJ





Ex-justice chief named rep of academe to JBC





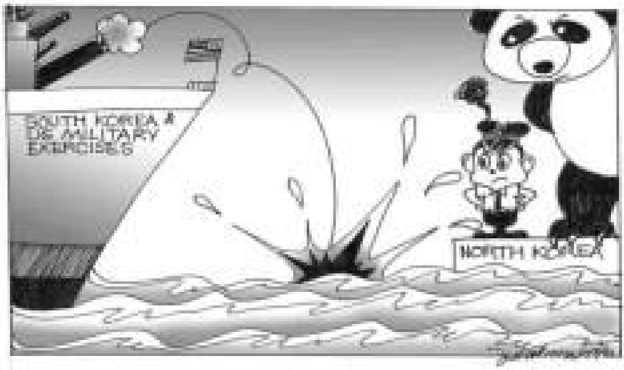


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OPINION

Natural history

EDITORIAL



Araw ni Bonifacio

PUBLIC LIVES

Randy David

Wake up and shape up

MOMENTS

Fr. Jerry M. Orbos, SVD

Protection from regulatory risks



WITH DUE RESPECT

Artemio V. Panganiban

'Ramen Padilla' vs 'Fernando Pho'



AT LARGE

Rina Jimenez-David

Jailing the messengers

WORLD VIEW

Susan Jakes

The spokesman of humanity



METHOD TO MADNESS

Patricia Evangelista

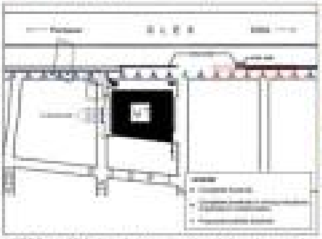
TALK of the TOWN

WEST TOWER SIDE STORY

How the pipeline leak in Makati was found









A-Team

Clear, present danger

Potential sources

Scientific method

Ruled out

Ground-penetrating radar

German pig vs PH worm

Leak found

Sand layer

Deepest structure

Lessons learned

Accountability

Eerie silence

Responsibility

Book honors doc's beautiful life at 99

Harvard med school

Not profit-driven

National Scientist

21-inch waistline

Lotto jackpot now ₱738M

By Tina G. Santos

AFP seeks to reinstate all rebel soldiers, not only the low-ranking

'Positive action expected'

3 uprisings

Young Filipinos nation's saving grace in Asiad

Competing vs Asia's best



THE FUTURE OF PH SPORTS

Middle ground

Silver lining

Sporting dreams

INQUIRER Mindanao

Year after massacre, widow struggles

Wife of publisher tries to cope with loss in PH's worst poll killings



MAGUINDANAO Massacre victim Francisco "Ian" Subang

Across the NATION

Villagers report fish kill near site of Palawan nickel mining

PUERTO PRINCESA CITY—Residents of a coastal community in the southern Palawan town of Bataraza reported on Saturday a fish kill around the bay where a large nickel mining operation is located.



CA decision scolds cops for bungling drug probe

Brit trader murdered for beer money, police told

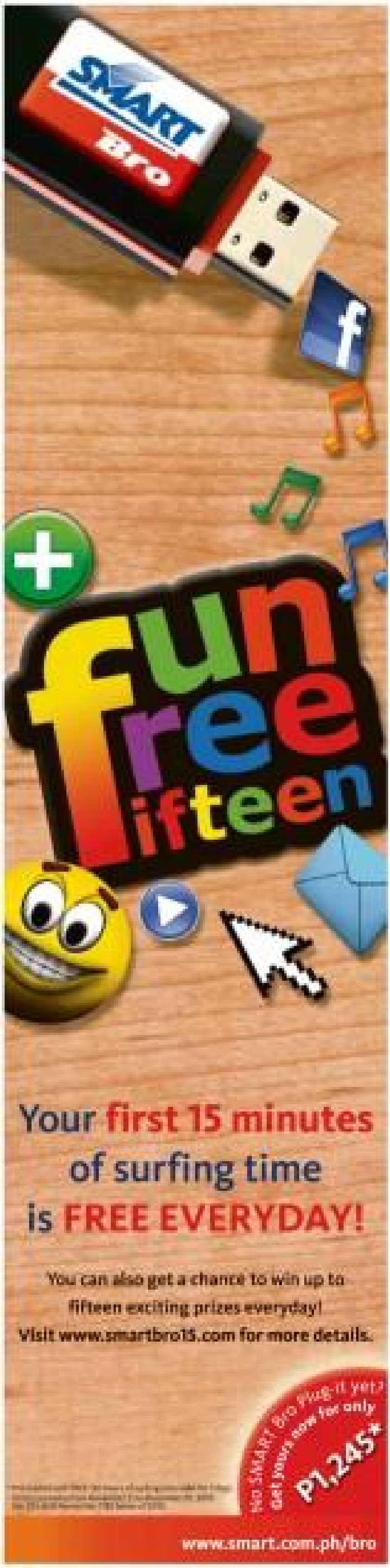


SAVING CHRISTMAS

People funding Biliran poll case, says group

'The people said yes when I asked them if they were willing to pay the price of an electoral case ...'

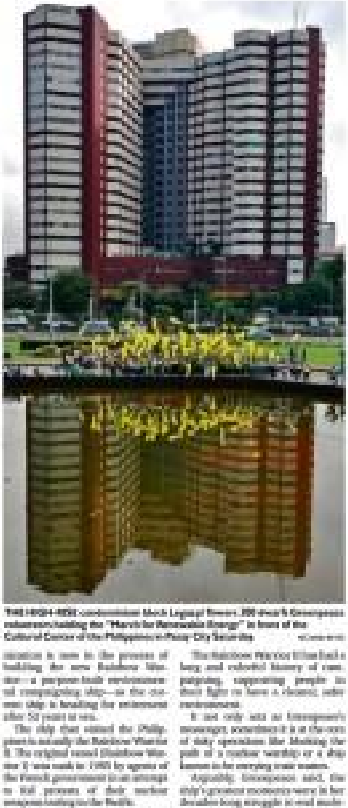
Sorsogon gov on Bulusan ash fall: Carabaos, pigs need masks



NEWS

PH holds deployment of workers to Korea

Voyage of Greenpeace flagship may be over, but not its causes



Key battleground

Aplus METRO

Voices from 'Munti': Tales of redemption

By Jaymee T. Gamil

GO TO SCHOOL. Go to church. Buy or sell wet goods at the nearby talipapa. Play a tennis game. Join the orchestra. Work on a masterpiece at the art gallery. Hang out at the plaza.

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Inmate initiatives

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Busy calendar

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Voices from 'Munti'



NBP inmates in orange jerseys join a sports event, one of several activities organized by detainees, volunteers and jail authorities at the recently concluded National Correctional Consciousness Week.



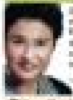
'Prison was good for me'

Slain principal could have made many enemies—police

METROBRIEFS

Japanese businessman shot dead

Cofilco confab on Dec. 2



GLOBAL Pinoy

2 OFWs in S. Korea get Palace award



Sr. Lucia Olalia



Dr. Emely Abagat

Sr. Lucia C. Olalia, a social worker, and Dr. Emely D. Abagat, an educator, have helped make the Filipinos in South Korea one of the most organized and active in Asia—a factor that may be crucial should current tensions escalate in the East Asian peninsula

Mother Teresa of S. Korea

Scholarships for Filipinos

2010 Presidential Awards for Filipino individuals and organizations overseas

NORTH KOREA ARTILLERY FIRE



ALERT

Veterans thankful for new benefits act, but more needs to be done

IMFO

Lourdes Santos Tancinco



Widow remains grateful

Hurt by criticism

The WORLD

S. Korea Marines vow 'thousand-fold' revenge

SEOUL—South Korea's Marine commander on Saturday vowed "thousand-fold" revenge for a North Korean attack that killed two servicemen as protesters demanded tougher action by the government against its reclusive neighbor.

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Reuters

Saudi Arabia arrests 149 al-Qaida suspects

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New York Times News Service



OBAMA finding the basketball game at Fort McNair in Washington.

Obama gets 12 stitches in lip after elbowing in basketball

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New York Times News Service

WORLDBRIEFS

Argentine woman says father had 10 kids with her

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AP

World braces for WikiLeaks flood of US cables

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AFP

US shuts websites in battle to stop online piracy

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NYTNS

Pope makes five million euros from books

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AFP

Ardina falls to second in China

Sunday SPORTS
Editor: Teddyvic S. Melendres
Assistant Editor: Francis T.J. Ochoa

Asiad stint not a bust, says Romasanta

Vertek 2nd to last in marathon

By Francis T.J. Ochoa

Korean champion

Asia's fastest woman



BOXING gold medalist Rey Saludar (middle) arrives at the Naia with silver medalist Annie Albania and bronze winner Flo Saludar

Coach sees bright side of PH five


CULTIVATING
A CULTURE
OF CHAMPIONS
PLDT


PLDT and SMART salute the 16th Asian Games winners for Taekwondo and Boxing, especially Gold Medalist, Rey Saludar.
It's always been our nature to strive for greatness. It's that passion that has made us into the country's largest telecommunications company.
We at PLDT and SMART see the very same drive and dedication in our country's best athletes. That's why we pledge our commitment to support Filipino champions in their unending quest for excellence.
To our sportsmen—you are heroes not just in the playing field, but more importantly, in the game of life.
Rey Saludar
SMART

Pucay, Que, Rosales lose ground

Sunday SPORTS

Francisco battles Thai for WBA interim title Tuesday



FRANCISCO

Ginebra, Derby Ace clash today



Arnis lessons for LAPD

IN HUDDLE



Dallas ends San Antonio winning streak

Adamson, Santo Tomas dispute FBL championship

SPORTSWATCH

LS-Zobel keeps lead

Chu-Chik pair surges ahead

1,857 entries in Rambolan

PFF boots out Martinez as prexy

Batangas, Manila batters win

PH Patriots try to rebound

Patrimonio, Thai pal stumble

Go Army targets Marho Cup crown

Business Features Editor Margie Quimpo-Espino

Sunday Biz



Nurturing Paeng's vision for microfinance

By Daxim L. Lucas

ELEVEN YEARS after bringing the concept of microfinance to the mainstream, the pet project of former Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas Gov. Rafael "Paeng" B. Buenaventura has taken root in the local banking industry.

Microfinance today is a multibillion-peso industry that is helping improve the lives of thousands of borrowers and beneficiaries.

However, four years after Buenaventura's death on Nov. 30, 2006, a new challenge has emerged that threatens not only the future of his legacy but also the viability of an industry crucial to the livelihood and well-being of millions of Filipinos.

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People once considered 'unbankable' now have access to capital



BUENAVENTURA

Constant craving for rice gives rise to Kanin Club

By Karen Lapitan
Inquirer Southern Luzon

STA. ROSA CITY—[illegible]



VISITORS [illegible] Kanin Club in Sta. Rosa City.

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Leading with excellence: Setting personal standards of success

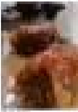


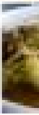
Nurturing Pacing's vision

The Indian ancestral wines industry has become so successful it is now in danger of becoming a victim of its own success.

Constant cr...







...ring for rice









They banked on their respective expertise in putting up and running the business

Sunday Biz

Benguet products now ready for the big time









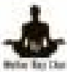












Sunday Biz

Bamboo trade sways to winds of change





THE BAMBUSETUM of the Cordillera Bamboo Development pilot nursery project



PROF. [illegible], dean of the College of Forestry of the Benguet State University



Benguet opens its arms to greener energy, trade







Hydroelectric plant

By going for 'Gold,' bank steps up microfinance activities



Farmers make their co-op work

Some interesting figures on the spa industry



Social entrepreneurs among Jollibee Yumbassadors

CSR manual: A vital tool for miners to win respect



US shoppers crowd malls all night long



By going for 'Gold,' bank steps up microfinance activities

Farmers make their co-op work

Sunday LifeStyle

Christmas wonderland at Eastwood Mall

This is the idyllic place for the entire family to celebrate the Yuletide season

IT MADE the spirit of gift-giving alive, from the varied choices of shops and boutiques. Every person on your gift list will surely have a special treat. You don't even have to worry about Christmas rush and last minute shopping; Eastwood butlers and concierge service are topnotch and can help you in all your shopping whims and needs.

Catch the Christmas spirit by attending the traditional Simbang Gabi and get into the Holiday mood by listening to heavenly choral performance. And have your little ones enjoy the magical sight of the 60-feet tall tree in a kaleidoscope of fun adornments and explosion of Christmas lights. Celebrate the New Year with Eastwood's New Year countdown.

At Eastwood, Christmas is easy to experience and imagine; it knows how to celebrate holiday, the way it should be.

WHAT'S INSIDE:

Eastwood Christmas



So why don't you......







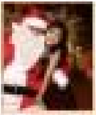








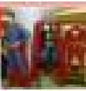


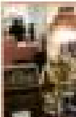






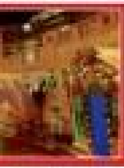






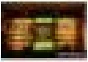


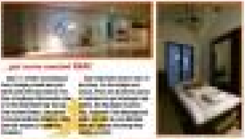
















12 gifts of Christmas in Eastwood Mall

For your little ones



12 gifts of Christmas in Eastwood Mall



The lowdown on Eastwood City services and directory



MasterCard gift-wrapping (November to December 2010)

Concierge and Personal Butlers

Valet Parking

ATMs, Banks, Money Exchange

Pet Pass and PAW seals



Eastwood extends mall hours for the holiday!

Eastwood Mall

Eastwood City Walk

Sunday LIFESTYLE

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Desperately seeking Manny

A Tantoco goes into the business—of singing

FROM LEA Salonga to Lani Misalucha to Bea Tantoco.



And how—Manila's chi-chi society, and her own retail clan, find out

Supportive family



Confidence

Tatler Ball menu



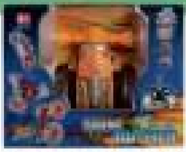

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TOY KINGDOM'S

Twelve Toys of Christmas

'Tis the time of year when kids draw up their wish lists and keep their fingers crossed that they will wake up to see their dream toy under the Christmas tree.
Play Santa this Christmas with amazing toys from Toy Kingdom, which suggests twelve toys that will surely bring a smile to the little ones. And to make shopping more convenient, Toy Kingdom now has kiosks at all SM Supermalls.
You can also visit Toy Kingdom Express outlets in all SM Department Stores.
Check out Toy Kingdom's Twelve Toys of Christmas and more at our stores and at our website at www.toykingdom.ph















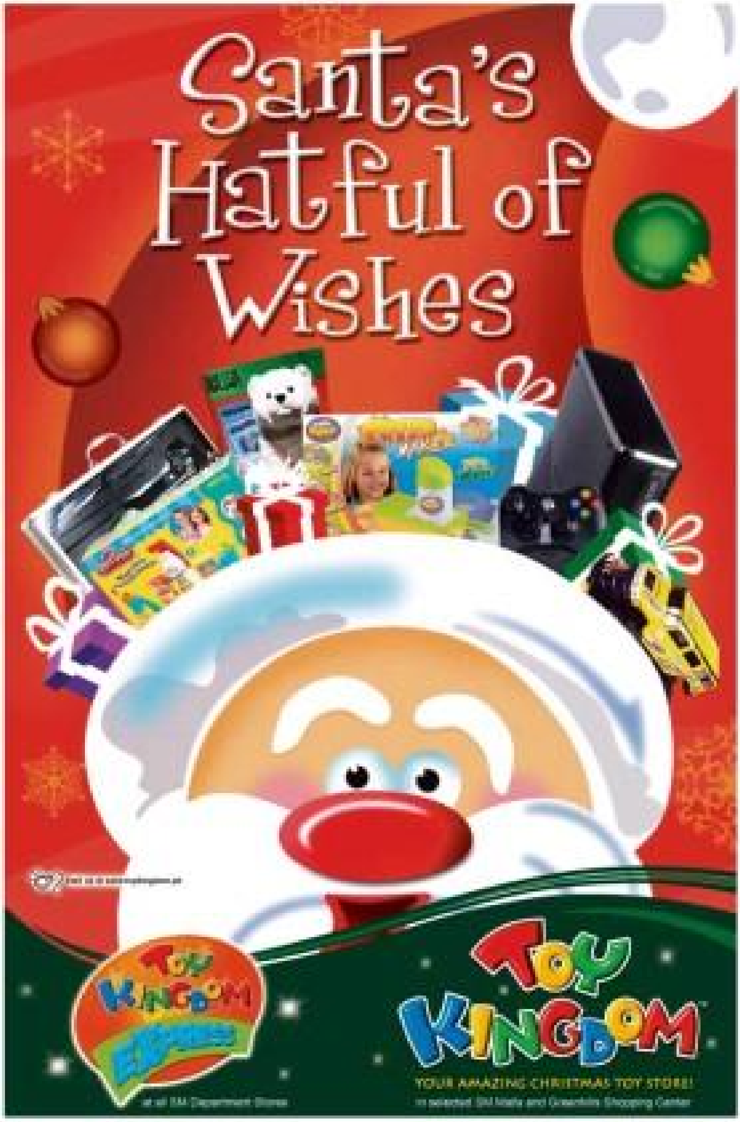












Sunday LifeStyle

Desperately seeking Manny



VIEW of the Pacquiao living room from the foyer

We felt as if we had stepped into the set of the Jack Nicholson starrer 'One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest.' People were scurrying all over the house

LOS ANGELES, California—

DESPERATELY G

This year's regatta at Punta Fuego—the biggest yet



'Proper and preferably coordinated attire normally speaks of a crew with good discipline,' said one experienced skipper











Desperately seeking Manny

THE FUN OF LEARNING

with Progress Pre-School Gold and Nick Jr.'s PLAY TO LEARN PRE-SCHOOL TOUR



Making learning fun and exciting for pre-schoolers, Wyeth Progress Pre-School Gold and Nick Jr. brought its Play to Learn Pre-School Tour to five different schools in Metro Manila. The event helped pre-school kids, aged four to six years old, appreciate learning through fun and exciting activities.





Pre-schoolers queue for some delicious and nutritious Wyeth Progress Pre-School Gold milk to fuel them for an excitingly edu-taining day.





Participants successfully learn about patterns and similarities through the Yo Gabba Gabba Mash Up, Match Up booth that challenged them to match three pairs of objects in 30 seconds or less.

Moms and kids speak up



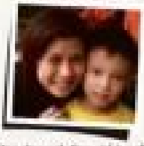
Carmela Santos (mom): *My daughter Jory really had fun at the event! I saw her enjoying herself throughout the afternoon.*

Jory Santos (kid): I loved watching the cartoon Team Umizoomi because it's fun and I learned more about shapes!



Edralina Silvestre (mom): *My son really enjoyed himself and he had a blast with the games!*

Lenard Silvestre (kid): I joined the games and I got lots of stickers! I liked playing with [illegible]



Wingki Sze (mom): *Kenerick is really outgoing and playful and he had such an amazing time at the event.*

Kenerick Sze (kid): I LEARNED HOW TO MATCH AND FIT IN DIFFERENT SHAPES AND SIZES!



By combining mental with physical challenges, children became more engaged to learn. One example is The Backyardigans' PICK 'N STICK game where kids rode in cute mini-cars and matched shapes on the board.



Educational shows such as Nick Jr.'s Team Umizoomi help kids become more interested in learning math and geometry.

With the objective of helping children excel in school, the Play to Learn Pre-School Tour helped boost kids' brain and body development by teaching them how truly exciting it is to learn.

Organized by Wyeth, the most trusted name in childhood nutrition, and favorite kids channel Nick Jr., the Play to Learn Pre-School Tour gave both kids and moms an unforgettably fun learning experience together.

Progress Pre-School GOLD





Desperately seeking Manny



Sunday LIFESTYLE

For feedback, e-mail us at lifestyle@inquirer.com.ph
Website: www.inquirer.net/lifestyle

It's super fun to be a sports mag cover girl

Doing a relay in the triathlon is an easy way to experience the thrill of the sport



TESSA!
Tessa Prieto-Valdes

THANKSGIVING IS truly a special celebration. It's very American but we, too, can take this holiday as a perfect time to assess the past year. We all have many blessings to be thankful for, and among all of these the gift of life is truly the most precious.

Recently I have pondered the passing of a dear family member, Maria Paz Laurel Yupangco, my Mom's sister, and of a close friend, Weingard [illegible]. It all makes me wonder how I can make the most of my time here on earth. We should all strive to make a positive difference to those we care for and even those we don't know. Fulfillment lies in knowing that we have somehow contributed to make the world a little bit better.

MultiSport mag

There are so many highlights that make 2010 exciting for me. In many ways, being on the cover of a glossy magazine is always a highlight, and a super fun one at that.

MultiSport Magazine, a "frontier"

IT'S SUPER FUN A3



JAIME Zobel, Virgie Ramos and John Lloyd Cruz

Christmas comes early for shoe-lovers as Payless Shoesource opens in Rockwell and Robinsons Galleria

Looking to buy shoes for yourself or your loved ones this holiday season? Find the best selection of designer styles, imported brands, and the latest trends at prices that's easy on your budget only at Payless ShoeSource, now open at Level 2 of Robinsons Galleria and opening on December 1 at Level R3 of Power Plant Rockwell.

As the largest specialty footwear retailer in the United States, Payless ShoeSource is famous for being a one-stop shop for all the footwear needs of the whole family. From work shoes to party shoes, sports to casuals, everyday to special occasion, Payless has it all, and all at great value prices.

From its exclusive selection of in-house brands for women, men, teens, and kids, Payless also has a range of American lifestyle labels, from urban youth icon **Airwalk** to **Unforgettable Moments by Lela Rose**, a women's and girl's line that celebrate life's special milestones like weddings and debuts. Other brands include **Zoe & Zac, Fioni, SmartFit, and Dexter**, to name just a few.

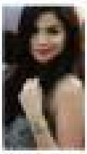
And for fashionista shoeaholics that want styles straight out of the catwalk and red carpet, Payless has its exclusive Designers for Payless collections, where shoppers can get fabulous designer shoes from hot American designers like **Isabel Toledo, Lela Rose, and Christian Siriano**, all at affordable retail prices.

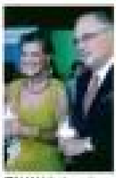
To make shopping easier and more convenient, Payless also carries complementary accessories like bags, belts, hats, sunglasses, and jewelry, making it easy to mix and match your own personal look. Payless also features an updated and innovative store format, where the front showcases product stories and style collections to attract the eye, while the inside has rows of shoe racks where all the styles and sizes are available for fitting. Found the style you like but not in your size? No need to ask for assistance, just go to your size and find your style there.

Managed by Philippine franchise holder Footwear Specialty Retailers, Inc., a division of Stores Specialists, Inc., Payless ShoeSource is committed to democratizing fashion by making quality footwear affordable and accessible to all. **It has aggressively expanded from its first store in Festival Mall last July to more than half a dozen stores in SM Megamall, Ali Mall Cubao, Shangri-La Plaza Mall, Shoppesville Greenhills, and now in Robinsons Galleria and Rockwell.** Another store is set to launch at **Market! Market!** this December while two provincial stores will open early next year at **Marquee Mall Pampanga** and **Paseo de Santa Rosa, Laguna.**


SWATCH wore Ramil Bastinga, Billy Crawford, Tim Yap and Luis Manzano with Sea Princess


AMBASSADOR Nida Vera, National Book Store's Socorro Ramos and John Lloyd Cruz


ANNE Curtis with the Winter Sun watch from the Swatch Seasons Collection Special


ITALIAN Ambassador to the Philippines Luca Fornari and wife Silvana


NICCOLO Manahan, Cris Villonco and Monique Villonco

It's super fun to be a sports mag cover girl

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SWATCH Philippines COO James Lucido, Issa Sotto, Heart Evangelista and Swatch VP Charles Ebrey


FASHION-SITTERS Mandy Santos, Tess Santos, Pauline Sauza-Juan and Isha Andaya


JUN-JUN Ablaza with sister Cristina Tiongco, Michelle Sison and Nicole Tiongco


JESSICA Pope with Benzen and Marc Huang


BC MAGAZINE cover girls Martine Honasan, Amanda Griffin with cute baby, Sea Princess and Glenne Oy

...created by Hinge Inquirer Publications, put Tessa Valdes on its October cover. The issue includes my brother-in-law Bobby, my husband Dennis, and me, when we completed this year's Cobra Ironman 70.3 in Camsur.

Being a cover in the marathon is an easy way to experience the thrill of the sport, and I highly recommend it to those interested in finding up for 2011. For Tessa Valdes, we are already looking toward the next ironman, thanks to our loyal sponsors, Timex, Adidas, Oakley and Speedo.

BC Philippines

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Swatch gig

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Dusit Thani project

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UST Christmas concert

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STYLISH set ...

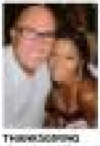

ELEGANT lady Mandy Cojuangco with Sea Princess


FASHIONABLE ladies Charito Aguilar and Ingrid Go

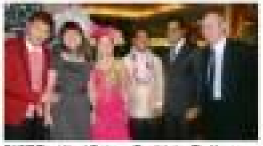

BARBIE doll sponsor Myrna Yao flanked by Freeway owners Sharon Gamboa and Kathy Qua


JUN-JUN Ablaza, Edwin Tan, Mino Chioriato ..., Tim Yap, Sea Princess, Pepsi Herrera, Glo Santos, Maggie Gloria and Dusit Thani PR Danella Pabregarich friends and Barbie dolls


SPARKLE magazine editor Carla Sibal, BC Magazine editor Tessa Fortis and Amanda Griffin


THANKSGIVING dinner hosts Mike and Belle Guadalupe ...


"KANADIA: The Reprise" guests Sea Princess and students and teachers of Slim's Fashion and Art School

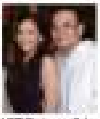

DUSIT Thani Hotel Christmas Tree-lighting: Tim Yap, Myrna Yao, Sea Princess, Makati Mayor Junjun Binay, Dusit Thani Manila's GM ... and HSBC's ...


GENEROUS guests at UST Concert ...


DIVINE Mission Academy students in Spangent City with ...


FR. GERARD ... of Healing ... Foundation


UST Christmas lighting ceremony: Andrew Anderson, ..., Mayor Alfredo Lim, ..., Fr. Isidro Abano, OP


UST Christmas Gala head Marlenie Zobel with Fr. Rolando de la Rosa, OP, Rector Magnificus of UST

Arts Council's 'Symphonic Evening'

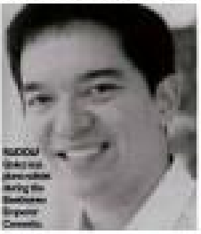
Cebu Cebu



Jaime Picornell

Elegant occasion

First caliber



Little Angels descend at the CCP


THE LITTLE Angels Children's Folk Ballet of Korea

THE LITTLE Angels Children's Folk Ballet of Korea is coming to Manila this December to give "breathtaking and heartwarming" performances. On the 60th anniversary of the Korean War, the world-renowned group is honoring veterans of the Philippine Expeditionary Forces to Korea (Peftok), the contingent of Filipino soldiers who joined the United Nations forces to defend the freedom of what is now known as South Korea. (Among Peftok survivors is former President Fidel V. Ramos.)

The Little Angels have been traveling to all 16 countries that formed the UN forces, as an expression of gratitude. The tour kicked off with a performance at the Kennedy Center Opera House in Washington, DC, in June and will culminate with a performance at the Cultural Center of the Philippines. The ballet troupe was founded in 1962 by Rev. Sun Myung Moon to show to the world Korea's rich cultural heritage and to be its ambassador of peace and goodwill.

Composed mostly of girls aged 9-11, the troupe has had command performances in the Buckingham Palace, the Kremlin, the White House, and/or the United Nations Assembly Hall in New York.

What's Up

Conference on child protection

The Child Protection Network Foundation will hold its annual conference "Ako Para sa Bata," on the emotional health of the child at the SMX, SM Mall of Asia on Dec. 2-3, with post-conference workshops on Dec. 4. The Manila conference is organized by the Child Protection Network in partnership with the Philippine Society of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, Philippine Society for Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics, Society of Adolescent Medicine of the Philippines and Psychconsult, and sponsored by UNICEF, GMA-7 and Promise, with the help of PhilConsult, World Vision, Smart, Nokia, Kapilo and DZRJ 810.

Lectures on normal emotional development in children, subsets of emotional abuse, cycle of violence, emotional abuse and neglect, violence in the home, violence against children in schools, the impact of media on children and violence against children in the community will be discussed during the conference.

Invited speakers and resource persons include MTRCB Chair Grace Poe-Llamanzares, child psychologist Dr. Honey Carandang, Education Undersecretary Alberto Muyot and The [illegible] of the United Kingdom's Child Exploitation and Online Protection Unit.

Christmas sale

Araneta Center presents big, big sale. Avail of as much as 50 percent discount on shoes, bags, clothes, accessories, books, home furnishing and appliances, techie gadgets, and even kitchen utensils until Nov. 30. Visit www.aranetacenter.net.

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Dolphin nudges my hand—an inter-species lovefest at Solomon Islands

Little prepared me for the raw beauty of the place, 'one of the world's great natural laboratories'



THE SUNNY, gregarious Solomon Islands dolphin

By Mylk Melican
Contributor

WE HAVE the sunny ocean, it seems, to ourselves. I'm in the brand new speedboat of the World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF) in the Solomon Islands, and WWF-SI staff member Tingo Leve and I are jumping over waves on our way from Gizo, the capital of the Western Province, to an island called Ranongga.

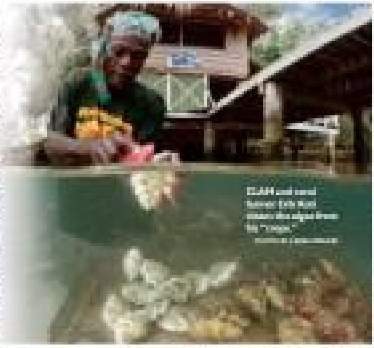
Good thing I feel right at home in the sea, because the boat offers little shelter from the sun and saltwater. Then, Tingo slows down and points to the left. "Dolphins!" he says, matter-of-factly. It seems that sightings of these delightful marine mammals are common in these relatively isolated islands.

Before I know it, some Solomon Islands dolphins—famously friendly so much that they're often "expert" surf riders—are swimming, "surfing" the waves right beneath the speedboat's bow, and I'm reaching down and actually touching some of them!

I turn to call Tingo, when I feel a

DOLPHIN G2

Dolphin nudges my hand—an inter-species lovefest at Solomon Islands









Exotic place

Bloody border

Supplementary income

Sustainable logging

Broadway tablescapes at Shangri-La Plaza





Aside from sports, Spain has fashion and shopping



Fashion and sports

Culture and lifestyle

Commerce and industry

Gastronomy

Nature and spirituality

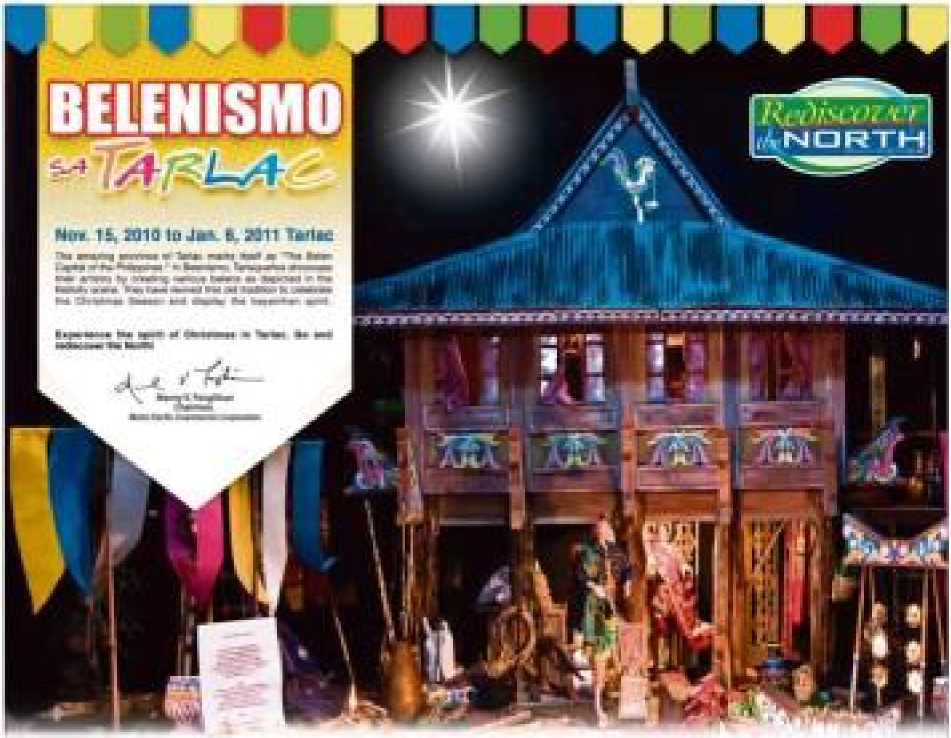
PH travel is now an iPhone app

Travel Briefs





Tropical paradise on a discount

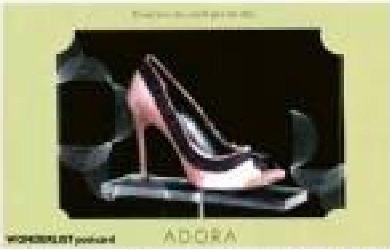


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Adora's Wonderlist Registry adds a twist to the holiday gift-giving



WONDERLIST postcard



ADORA'S interpretation of "The Birds"

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COUPLE in stylish flight, Adora-style

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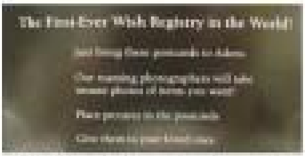
photo on Facebook or e-mail it to your friends," says Pineda.

Pineda comes with declarations such as "(Blank) will finally say 'yes' to mi fiance for this," or "(Blank) will be your alibi for the whole year if you give him this."

"It's really more of 'give and you shall receive' because we noticed, during Christmas, our customers would enter the store and want to buy something for themselves, but they would say they have to buy [a gift] for someone else. But after a little pushing, they do end up buying for themselves, and it makes sense," says Pineda.

"You know, with your parents and siblings, you already have some sort of exchange deal in mind. So we came up with the Presidential Registry, something that no one has ever done."

"Some people feel like presenting their wishes as wishes and still, so we wanted to do something that's humorous," he adds. Inspired leaves.



NO EXCUSES for your loved ones not to know what you want! An actual instant photo is given to you on the spot.

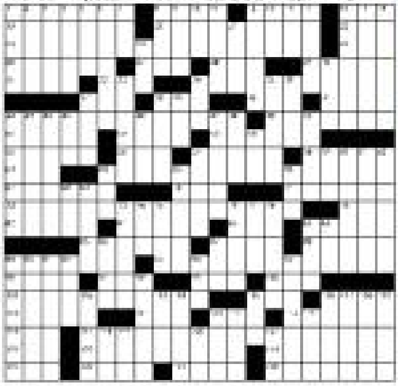


SHOOT your wishes yourself and upload them on Facebook.

Sunday Crossword

PREMIER CROSSWORD / By Frank A. Longo

BAGEL MENU





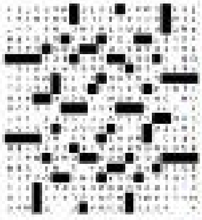
THE CHRISTMAS Concert

UST Classical Christmas concert slated Dec. 2



JAIME and Bea Zobel de Ayala, Maricris Zobel

ANSWER TO SUNDAY CROSSWORD



THE ANNUAL classical Christmas concert of the University of Santo Tomas will be on Dec. 2, 7 p.m., at the UST Santisimo Rosario Parish Church, UST campus, España Blvd., Manila.

After the concert, cocktail reception follows at the UST Central Seminary halls and gardens.

The grand concert will feature the students, orphans, alumni and faculty of the UST Conservatory of Music, led by its dean, Raul Sunico, also the president and artistic director of the Cultural Center of the Philippines.

Among those who will perform are soprano Rachelle Gerodias and the UST Symphony Orchestra.

The 2012 Christmas Concert Executive Committee is headed by Ma. Catalina C. Zobel and Fr. Isidro C. Abaño, OP, the director of the UST Museum of Arts and Sciences.

The Christmas gala concert is presented by UST Bank, Belo Medical Group and San Miguel Corp. It is also supported by Town & Country.

The concert is for the benefit of the heritage conservation program of the Pontifical University which will celebrate its 400th anniversary next year as Asia's oldest university.

The concert also aims to raise money for scholarship grants of the UST Conservatory.



IRENE Marcos-Araneta, Marble Yaptinchay, Marilu Sarmiento

Cofradia de la Inmaculada Concepcion to hold 31st Marian procession

PURELY PERSONAL



Josephine Darang

The relics of St. Padre Pio and St. Damien of Molokai will be mounted on the 'carruza' of Nuestra Señora de la Verdad

Relics

Our Lady of Mercy



Playing for Afghan children

Kerygma conference 2010



Happiness & Magic light up at the Coca-Cola Christmas Caravan









LOVE THOSE SALVATORE MANN LEATHER SHOES AT SM!

As the holidays approach, a man's social calendar is filled with formal occasions and casual events. 'Tis the time for sleek suits, jaunty casual jackets, crisp shirts, and slacks—that all go best with a pair of luxe leather shoes.

The Salvatore Mann collection at SM Shoes uses soft, supple, and sophisticated leather shoes for men. Italian inspired styling gives these shoes an elegant edge, and the best part is that they're comfortable enough to make one breeze through the season's social whirl. The Salvatore Mann collection is available at the Men's Shoes Department of all SM stores.



Light brown leather loafers



Classic black slip-on leather shoes



Classic black leather shoes with lace



Gray slip-on leather shoes



Classic black leather shoes with lace



Classic black slip-on leather shoes



Gray slip-on leather shoes



Light brown leather loafers

Sunday LifeStyle Relationships



Grandmotherhood has turned me into a gift-giver

When I arrive at my grandchildren's with packages, 11-year-old Maia always makes the correct guess: 'Was there a sale, mamita?'

Obligation



Gift-giving—a ritual in many cases, but not in mine

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Discomfort

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Transparent circumstances

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Sony VAIO Inspire Runway Creativity At The Philippine Fashion Week

Sit at the front row of cutting edge technology and stand at the zenith of high fashion as Sony partnered with Philippine Fashion Week to celebrate contemporary glamour at the end of October.

The collaboration saw imaginative mavens holding up the latest Sony VAIO laptops for inspiration, as they present their new and stylish collections while taking the cue from the global tech brand's design sensibilities.

"It is Sony's great pleasure to support Philippine Fashion Week as it presents the execution of creative visions of Sony VAIO. With our make believe brand message, Sony is a great supporter of pursuing the possibilities opened by imagination, & transforming these into tangible reality," said Mr. Takao Kuroda, Managing Director and President, Sony Philippines. "As a company, we value innovation in pursuit of excellence in both function & form. Community will be happy to see this principle wonderfully embodied by the latest models of VAIO."



Ms. Lyzza Miranda, Channel Marketing, VAIO, Mr Takao Kuroda, President & Managing Director, Sony Philippines, Mr. Yang Yap, Director, VAIO Marketing & IT Sales, Ms. Henry Benedicto, Product Marketing, VAIO, Ms. Erica dela Cruz, Mar Comm Supervisor

VAIO: Pride and Prestige

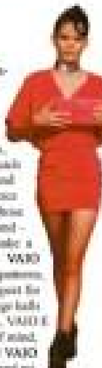
Continuing Sony's collaboration with Philippine Fashion Week, Sony's PC brand VAIO introduced its own roster of future fashion headliners to the country. It presented the musings of Bo Perez, Dimple Lim, Don Protacio, Jot Losa, and Russell Villafuerte, and novelty collections from Anthony Cruz Ramirez, Dave Delantar, Enrico Carado, Herbert Custodio, Kermit Tesoro, Oz Go, and Simon Ordoña.

VAIO has always been set above other brands for the experience of luxury and prestige it gives its clientele. VAIO PCs have been known to enable visionaries and leaders from different industries. As seen on the Philippine Fashion Week, VAIO is also the laptop of choice for those who reside in the glamorous but demanding world of fashion. Its citizens are required not just to deliver their best, but to do so with flair. To do well and to look good. It is only right that VAIO gets showcased in Philippine Fashion Week's Design Fusion and Visions and Trends program.

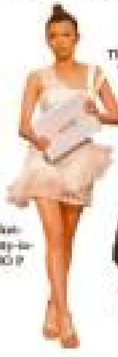
These VAIO models were the inspiration of the creative contemplation of the designers.

The sexy **VAIO P**, lighter than a purse and smaller than a notebook, has the bearing of the evening clutch bags taken out for showing off around town. Its bold pink shade defines fierce to its core. It is not for the timid or those who wish to blend into the background – it is for those daring enough to make a statement. Meanwhile, the youthful **VAIO E**, with its glossy colors and unique patterns, makes a stand-out statement in support for true self-expression. From the college halls to the business district boardrooms, VAIO E embodies vibrance and dynamism of mind, body and spirit. Lastly, the powerful **VAIO S** conducts itself with subtle power and minimalistic elegance. Available in smart shades of matte black and pink, VAIO S handles the requirements of today's trendsetters in stylish efficiency. It is for those who can back up panache with powerful credentials and performance.

Philippine Fashion Week gave an exclusive experience for fans not just to ogle, but to touch and try the technological gem that is the VAIO. The PC's were set-up at a lounge area for the show's audience to have an encounter with its undeniably superior craftsmanship. From their isolated keyboard design, the gentle spark of intelligence on their power buttons, and the use of only the most premium material, VAIO is testament to the emotionally stirring power of the finer things in life.



The posh-sized pretty-in-pink VAIO P



The whimsical white VAIO E steals the runway



The classic VAIO E in black



The newest playful metallic VAIO S in pink



The new hot and head-turning pink VAIO E.

Sony combines beauty and power

Sony's partnership with Philippine Fashion Week aims to position the country as a worldwide fashion capital.

With Fashion Week compounded to be the launch pad of groundbreaking ideas and provocative statements all over the world, Sony's sponsorship builds on its commitment to weave narratives of beauty and power together as one - a case for the creative symbiosis of the two worlds of innovation.

Sony and Philippine Fashion Week enabled an exciting spectacle of tech-inspiring fashion and fashion-inspiring technology.



The VAIO models holding the newest VAIO collection: pink and pocket-sized VAIO P, sleek, panel-confined VAIO S, and bright and fun VAIO E.

'Tis the season to be 'SAD'

Roots and Wings

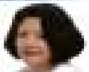


Cathy Babao-Guballa

Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD) is a form of depression that appears during the festive month of December

He's just not so into her

Emily's Post



Emily A. Marcelo



Fairy-tale
Christmas at the mall

Kids can meet Cinderella, Pinocchio, Little Red Riding Hood, even the Wicked Witch, at Robinsons Malls







Eye-candy décor



'Christmas in Fairytale Land' live show

Meet and greet your storybook heroes



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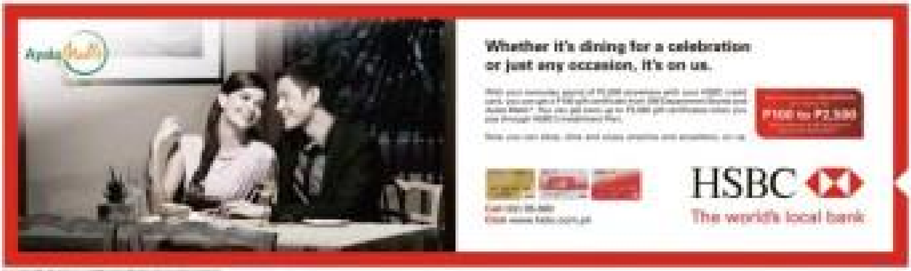
Bulgari partners with largest retail watch firm in China



Hassle-free Christmas shopping—online

From a brass dollhouse necklace that opens up, to a Leica Instamatic







The country's biggest pop star is now the newest star of my|phone.

From its unique, pre-loaded Pinoy content like prayers, jokes and trivia to entertainment and music, everything you love about being Filipino can be found in my|phone.

That's why instead of foreign endorsers, my|phone carefully selected top Filipino stars to endorse their phones. Each celebrity was paired with a phone that best suits their lifestyle. From the versatile, on-the-go phones of Dingdong Dantes, to the fashionable Swarovski phone of Anne Curtis, a new Pinoy face joins the my|phone family.

Sarah Geronimo joins the ranks of my|phone endorsers and shares her own story of struggle and success with that of my|phone. Both my|phone and Sarah are 100% Pinoy at heart and committed to keeping Pinoy family values alive. That's why the multi-talented, award-winning star is the perfect person to endorse the newest phone of my|phone, the Music Album Phone (MAP).

The my|phone MAP is the first of its kind, uniquely Filipino and is the hottest my|phone unit to date. It's so hot, that weeks before its launch, MAPs have already been hoarded by top mobile phone dealers.

When asked about the my|phone MAP, Sarah smiled with excitement, *"I can't say what it is just yet, pero siguradong magiging chart topper po ito!"*





MAP is just one of the innovations of my|phone

Now on its third year, my|phone is already challenging the big, multinational brands with its mobile phones' innovations, quality and affordability.

First, they brought in Dual SIM technology to the Philippines, next they created pre-loaded phone content fit for Pinoys like prayer, bugtong and trivia. They were the same company to launch the Cory phone loaded with photos, speeches, books, and even videos of the former president as a special tribute to her achievements.

From pioneering dual SIM technology, to phones with cameras, video & mp3 functions, to TV, Qwerty, touch screen and even WiFi phones, all my|phone products are affordable to Filipinos. And now, their newest and hottest phone, my|phone MAP has captured the heart of one of the Philippines' hottest young stars.

MAP: Special One Day Sale on December 1, 2010

The my|phone MAP will be sold at P3,399 in all leading mobile phone dealers. But a special introductory price of P2,999 can be availed of on December 1 during Sarah's Laging Kay Ganda mini-concert and at top mobile phone dealers nationwide.





Sarah G. Live! December 1, 2010

For those who want to see Sarah and get the MAP at the special introductory price, the my|phone MAP will be launched in cooperation with VIVA during the Laging Kay Ganda mini-concert on December 1, 5 PM at the SM Megamall activity center.

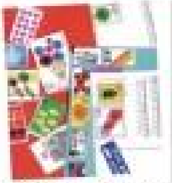
Guests get to meet Sarah G. and XLR8 and can even have their MAPs signed by them!

Hosted by Hale vocalist, Champ and MYX VJ Chino Lui-Pio with performances by Sarah and XLR8, the event will definitely be star-studded! End the night on a high note with a chance to win my|phone units!

*In cooperation with Viva. Special thanks to Mango, 7 For All Mankind and Mossimo.



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During this free concert, guests get a chance to meet and greet the stars and win my|phone units during the concert! You can even have your my|phone autographed by the Pop Princess.
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The Sarah G. Phone
with MAP technology
QP29 Duo



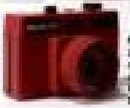












Hassle-free Christmas shopping . . .

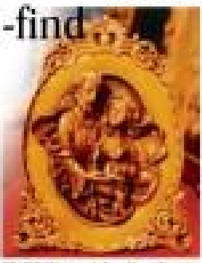






Christmas bazaar has hard-to-find items at discounted prices







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Opening day at SM City North Edsa



ARTHUR Coronel, CEO of Cinderella

AS AMONG SM City North EDSA's pioneer tenants, Arthur Coronel of Cinderella's and Sonny Lim of Automatic Center – and later Vivian Bandila of the Vivian Bandila Optical – opened with lots of optimism at a time of political and economic uncertainty. Believing in the vision of SM Founder and Chairman Henry Sy, Sr. they took up the challenge, bucked the odds and the rest, as they say, is history.

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A CINDERELLA STORY

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AUTOMATIC CENTER

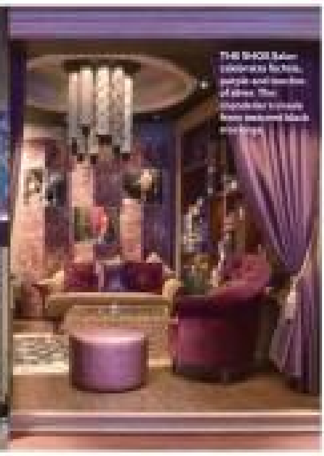
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CINDERELLA store at SM City North Edsa

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ROOM'S ceiling is festooned with flat, giant lanterns in jewel colors.

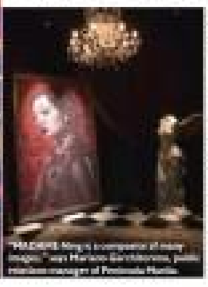
It's kitschy, flamboyant—a sign of the optimism and buoyant economy, and the Pen's way of luring back the night crowd

















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Study in contrasts

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invited the appliance store to open in Makati, and later in SM City North EDSA. Although it was not exactly the best of times, they were among the mall's pioneer tenants when it opened in 1985.

"We believed in Mr. Sy's vision," says Automatic Center President Sammy Lim. "When we first opened in Makati, it was just a grassland and many doubted its success. But Mr. Sy does his homework, he studies the project for a long time, and he's a very thorough person." They were not disappointed. "We opened towards the Christmas season, and the sales were good," he recalls. "During that time, we were the biggest appliance chain and were able to invite all the manufacturers who were all happy to see our store."

Twenty five years after it opened, the store is still in North EDSA, and looks forward to renovating the store with a new look. "Mr. Sy has a very good insight on the pulse of the consumers," says Lim. "He knows how to bring in the crowd, and I guess that's the trademark of SM wherever it opens."



SAMMY Lim, President of Automatic Center



AUTOMATIC Center store in SM City North Edsa

THROUGH THE EYES OF VIVIAN SARABIA OPTICAL

Vivian Sarabia is a third generation optometrist, the granddaughter of Dr. Federico Sarabia who opened the first optical in the Philippines in 1906. Although she had been in the business for sometime, she decided to create her own image combining fashion with eyewear as the country's only eye stylist.

When SM City North EDSA opened in 1985, she already had a shop in SM Cubao. Although times were difficult, she had a lot of trust in the company because of her previous working experience. "Although it was a big investment, I was thinking that they did their homework and logistics, and if they are going to invest, I'm going to invest too."

Vivian recalls her shop's opening day in October 1985. "Of course, in any mall, there are birth pains, but we didn't expect there to be thousands of customers right away," she says. Twenty five years later, she has five branches in the SM malls, and shares the lessons learned from SM. "The biggest lesson I've learned is to be patient, how to be resilient," she looks back. "I learned that in any business, you always need to evolve, fix yourself, retool yourself, and just continue changing with the times."

More than that, "by working with SM's I've learned to develop my entrepreneurial skills, to stand alone, and develop the confidence to challenge the conventional. I've learned to have the courage to dream and to have the passion to be on top. For those, I am grateful to God for his blessings, and the Sy family for their encouragement."



DRA. Vivian Sarabia in front of her current shop at SM City North Edsa



The first Sarabia Optical opened at SM City North Edsa in 1985.



Upscale interiors at the newly renovated SM stores



BEST OF THE BEST: SM Department Store SVP for Operations Jorge T. Mendiola receives Retail Asia's Best of the Best Award from Euromonitor International, Shanghai Sales Manager Julia Bao



The Best of the Best: The SM Department Store has won this prestigious award for three years in a row

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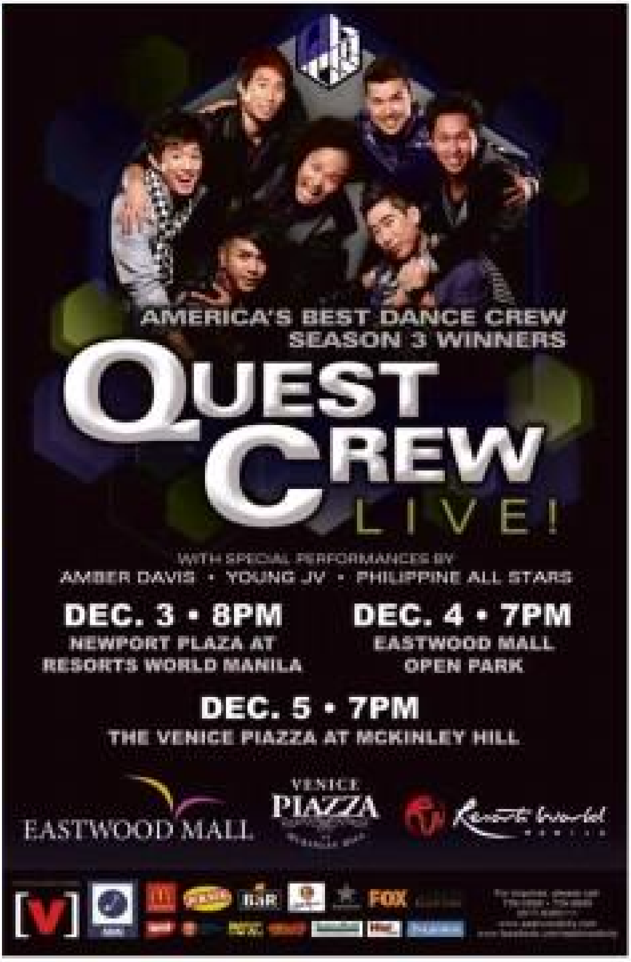
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Reinventing 'Batibot' for today's children

Does Shalani have more surprises up her sleeve?







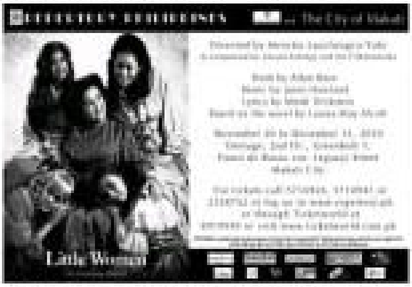
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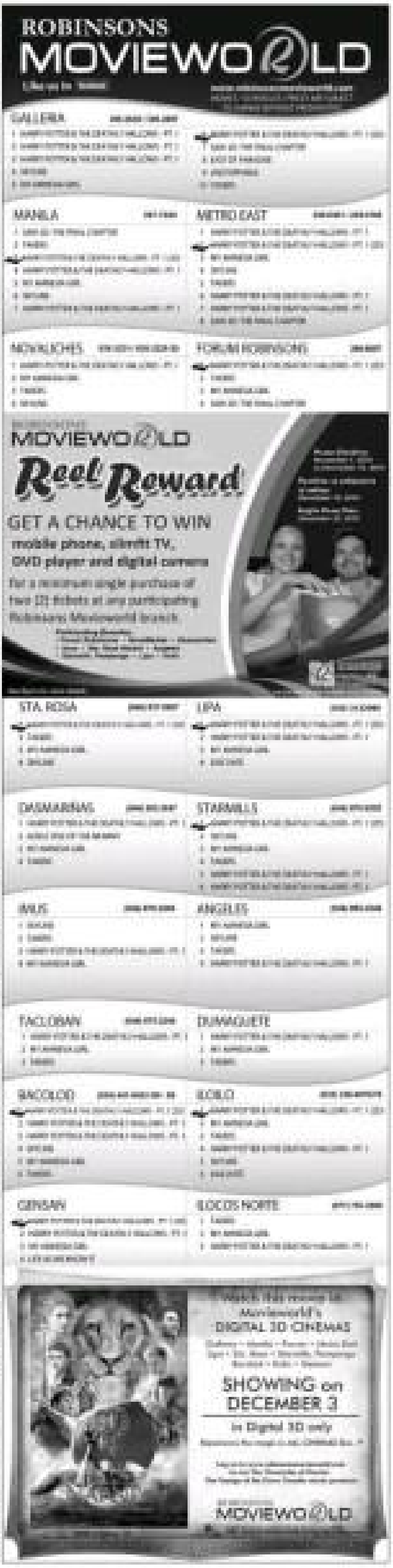
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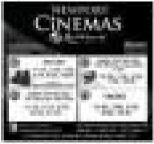


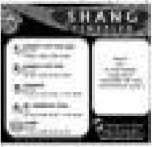
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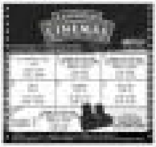
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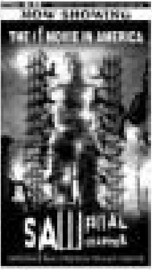










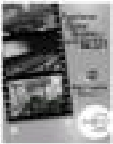






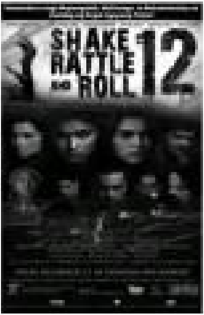


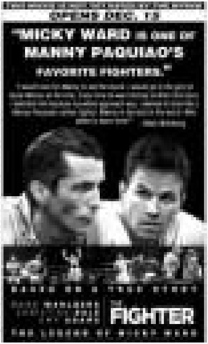







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